



# CARS PROJECT UPDATE FOR STATE OF CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD (FTB)

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## AGENDA

- Welcome
- Project Update
- Phased Implementation Update
- FTB New CAL-ACCESS Training Update
- Demonstrations
- Final Q&A and Wrap-Up



## PROJECT UPDATE

- Completed second round of SOS testing in December
- SOS User Acceptance Testing (UAT) starts in January
- Stakeholder engagement meetings continue and expand to include SOS partner agencies and the media
- Communications continue through website postings, updates to FAQs, and "Contact CARS" email



#### PHASED IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

### Phased implementation activities

- ➤ Continued testing by SOS and software fixes January through April 2021
- Implementation initially to SOS and select external users
- ➤ Implementation to external users by June 2021

The current CAL-ACCESS will remain up-to-date and the system of record



## PHASED IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE (CONT'D)

### Benefits of phased implementation to external users

- Provides improved product delivery
- Enables SOS users to gain ability and assist external users at the time of external implementation
- Provides additional time for software vendors to test the API and become a certified software vendor
- ➤ Reduces FTB resources needed for CAL-ACCESS activities during February (FTB busy season)



#### FTB NEW CAL-ACCESS TRAINING UPDATE

- Training will be scheduled in the second quarter of 2021 (as the external implementation date is finalized)
- FTB and SOS have determined points of contact for training





## **DEMONSTRATIONS**



## Q&A / WRAP UP

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## WHERE TO FIND PROJECT INFORMATION



## Visit the CAL-ACCESS project website

https://www.sos.ca.gov/campaign-lobbying/cal-access-replacement-system-project-cars-updates/

- > View documents, FAQs, and events
- > Sign up to receive project updates

CARS Email Address: Submit questions and comments to the CARS project team:
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